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APPLICANTS: Demarne et al.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

A. Introductory Comments:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2006 in the above-referenced case, please enter the following amendments and consider all remarks prior to further examination of the application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6.